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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING
TALKS

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1. EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF FEBRUARY 8 MOFA PRESS RELEASE
ANNOUNCING TALKS IS AS FOLLOWS:

"ON JAPAN-UNITED STATES CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS"

"AT THE JAPAN-UNITED STATES CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS
HELD IN OCTOBER OF LAST YEAR, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE
SCHEDULE, ETC., FOR THE NEXT ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WILL
BE DECIDED THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS, AFTER EACH SIDE
CHECKS INTO THE LONG-TERM AND SHORT-TERM CIVIL AVIATION
PROBLEMS BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS.

"AS A RESULT OF SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN
THE TWO NATIONS, AGREEMENT WAS RECENTLY REACHED ON THE
HOLDING OF THE SECOND ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS IN WASHINGTON,
FROM MARCH 23 (WEDNESDAY) TO MARCH 26 (SATURDAY) OF THIS

"AT THESE NEGOTIATIONS, CONSULTATIONS ARE SLATED
TO BE HELD ON SUCH LONG-RANGE CIVIL AVIATION-RELATED
PROBLEMS BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES AS POINTS
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OF LANDING, THE RIGHT TO POINTS BEYOND, THE SUPPLY
CAPACITY, ETC., AND ON SUCH SHORT-RANGE PROBLEMS AS THE
SAIPAN CASE."

2. FIVE TOKYO DAILIES CARRIED SHORT FACTUAL ARTICLES
SUMMARIZING PRESS RELEASE ON INSIDE ECONOMIC PAGES IN
THEIR FEBRUARY 9 EDITIONS. SIXTH ASAHI, IN FRONT PAGE

ARTICLE, ALSO SPECULATED THAT THERE MAY BE SOME CHANGES
IN U.S. AVIATION POLICY OWING TO NEW ADMINISTRATION, AND
MENTIONED PAA'S HAVING APPLIED FOR PERMISSION TO ADD
SAIPAN AS STOP ON GUAM/TOKYO ROUTE. TWO PAPERS,
MAINICHI AND TOKYO SHIMBUN, FORECAST "DIFFICULT SAILING"
FOR MARCH TALKS.

3. EMBASSY WILL INFORM DEPT OF ANY FURTHER SIGNIFICANT
PRESS COMMENT.
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